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II. AFFILIATION WITH THE NEW LEFT

Miscellaneous

Another government agency which conducts security investigations advised on June 12, 1969, that the subject, among others, requested an appointment with Major General KENNETH J. HODSON, the Judge Adjutant General, Department of the Army, for June 17, 1969, together with the request that General HODSON discuss with them and hear their complaints concerning the Army's suppression of dissident soldiers who resist military service.

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The "Columbia Daily Spectator", a student publication at Columbia University, New York, New York, issue of November 11, 1971, contained an advertisement of a concert to "remember the war" for the purpose of raising funds for the People's Coalition for Peace and Justice (PCPJ), which was to have been held at the Cathedral of St. John the Devine, New York, New York, on December 6, 1971. This advertisement indicated that the subject, among a number of other individuals, would be present and that all proceeds were to go directly to PCPJ.

The PCPJ is self-described as an organization consisting of over 100 organizations using massive civil disobedience to combat war, racism, poverty, and repression. Its National Office is located at 156 5th Avenue, New York City, Room 527.

TRANSLATION FROM FRENCH

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NOTE

SUBJECT: Plans for a trip to Hanoi by Mrs. Suzan Sontag

We have learned that the American writer, Suzan Sontag, identified in Paris on December 29, 1972, is planning to soon go to Hanoi on an informative trip.

Note: Mrs. Suzan Sontag was already invited to North Vietnam in 1968. She later wrote a book entitled "Voyage to Hanoi" which was translated into 18 languages.

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NOTE

O B J E T : Projet de voyage à HANOI de Mme Suzan SONTAG.

Nous apprenons que l'écrivain américain Suzan SONTAG, signalée à PARIS le 29 Décembre 1972, aurait l'intention de se rendre prochainement à HANOI en voyage d'information.

Note : Madame Suzan SONTAG a déjà été invitée au Nord-Vietnam en 1968. Elle a écrit par la suite un livre intitulé "Voyage à HANOI" qui a été traduit en 18 langues.

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TITLE OF CASE  <b>SUSAN SONTAG, aka</b>		REPORT MADE BY <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 15px; width: 100px;"></div>	TYPED BY <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 15px; width: 40px;"></div> b6 b7C
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## REFERENCE

Summary report of SA KENNETH J. HUNNEMEDER, dated 12/20/68, at New York. 1

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## ADMINISTRATIVE

This report is being ~~classified~~ "~~Secret~~ - No Foreign Dissemination" because the information received from CIA was so ~~classified~~ and because the information concerning the subject's travel abroad was likewise so ~~classified~~.

A suitable photograph of the subject is available.

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No interview of the subject is contemplated in view of her activities as a writer. It is felt that in view of her minimal activity and her status as a writer, an attempt to interview her could result in embarrassment to the Bureau, which would not be compensated by the information obtainable, if she were cooperative.

No recommendation is being made to include the subject in ADEX. It is felt that her activities as reflected in instant report and referenced report do not qualify her for inclusion on ADEX.

INFORMANTS

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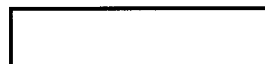
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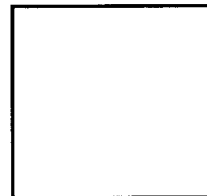
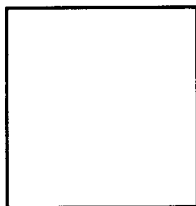
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Referred to in instant report is information contained in CIAlet, dated 2/14/72, and is located in NYfile 100-162134-60.

The other informants mentioned in instant report as having no information concerning captioned subject are as follows:



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NY T-2 advised, on November 23, 1971, that the subject would speak at the above concert.

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[redacted] the subject was scheduled to arrive in Mexico from Paris on February 8, 1972, and to take part in a series of lectures at the National Autonomous University of Mexico, in Mexico City.

"The Harvard Crimson", an undergraduate newspaper published in Cambridge, Massachusetts, in an article in the April 21, 1971 issue, listed the Steering Committee of Resist. Among those listed was SUSAN SONTAG, of New York City.

"The Harvard Crimson" mentioned above, in its issue of April 21, 1971, carried an article concerning Resist. This article stated that Resist offers support to draft resisters and that it continues to support civil disobedience and direct action against illegitimate authority.

### III. FOREIGN TRAVEL

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
New York, New York  
March 6, 1972

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File No. Bufile 100-450066  
NYfile 100-162314

Title Susan Sontag

Character Security Matter - Subversive

Reference is made to report of Special Agent  
[redacted] dated and captioned as above, at New York.

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All sources (except any listed below) whose identities  
are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable  
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SUBJECT: [redacted] Lectures on Student Rebellion  
in Mexico City (NL)

1. [redacted]

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[redacted] Also on the program, which is entitled "The Student  
Rebellion and Contemporary Society" is Susan SONTAG, who  
arrived in Mexico from Paris on 8 February. [redacted]

2. SONTAG is the Subject of your Bureau file 100-450066.

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ADMINISTRATIVE (CONT'D):

No interview of the subject is being recommended at this time in view of the lack of pertinent subversive information concerning her and inasmuch as she is a writer on a national interest level.

There is no approved characterization for the National Mobilization Committee to end the war in Vietnam and the Peace and Freedom Party.

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NY T-4, [redacted]	[redacted] Instant Report	
NY T-5. [redacted]	[redacted]	
NY T-6, CIA Intelligence Information Cable dated 6/28/68	[redacted] (S) (U)	b7D
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The subject states the Vietnamese believe their country is and always has been democratic and they have a great respect for America, consider the American people their friends, but hold the present American Government as their enemy.

According to the subject, the adversities of the war have united the Vietnamese as never before. It has improved the moral level of the people, it has further democratized their society by limiting the material goods and restricting the social space available to them. It has deepened their love of country. However, she stated Vietnam is not the model of a just state citing the persecution of the Trotskyites in 1946, forced collectivization of agriculture in 1956, and recent brutalities and injustices committed by high officials.

On June 28, 1968, NY T-6, another government agency, advised that it had received the following information [redacted]

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An invitation to attend a Press Conference reflected that SUSAN SONTAG, writer, will be present among others at a North Vietnamese Press Conference and film showing on June 28, 1968. This conference was to constitute in effect the first of three sessions of the International War Crimes Tribunal in Paris. (S) (U)

A characterization of the International War Crimes Tribunal is attached hereto.

The October 24, 1968 issue of "Village Voice" contained an advertisement supporting DAVE MC REYNOLDS, Peace and Freedom Party candidate for Congress in the 19th Congressional District, New York City sponsored by the Citizens Committee For MC REYNOLDS for Congress of which SUSAN SONTAG is a member.

"WRL News" in the September-October, 1968 edition of the self described official publication of the War Resisters League (WRL), 5 Beekman Street, New York 10038, a branch of the War Resisters International and self characterized as a Pacifist organization with affiliates in 53 countries identified DAVID ERNEST MC REYNOLDS as the WRL Field Secretary.

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